MSCA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of the Special Meeting July 10, 2020 Held Virtually using Zoom

Present: Chenault, Ciano-Boyce, Diakite, Donohue, Eve, Hegbloom, Hennessy, Hibbert, Krishnamurthy, Leone, Mitroka-Batsford, O'Connell, O'Donnell, Pilkenton, Riel, Ramsden, Seceleanu, Smith, Washington, Weeks. Guests: Chris Gullen (MSCA), Roberta James (MTA), Bret Seferian (MTA)

Orders of the Day:

It was moved and seconded to approve the orders of the day. The motion passed.

Minutes: June 5, 2020

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the June 5, 2020, Board Meeting as amended. The motion passed.

Minutes: June 12, 2020

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2020, Board Meeting. The motion passed.

Response to President of AFSCME Local 1067:

It was moved a seconded to approve the MSCA response to the President of AFSCME Local 1067. The motion passed.

Executive session:

It was moved a seconded to go into executive session. The motion passed.

It was moved a seconded to leave executive session. The motion passed.

Authorizing the Day Bargaining Committee to enter mid-term negotiations regarding SSU's proposal on furloughs:

It was moved a seconded to authorize the day bargaining committee to enter into negotiations to discuss furloughs plan submitted by Salem State University. The motion failed (unanimously).

Chapter concerns on the Fall 2020 reopening plans:

Reopening plans and MSCA member responses were discussed.

Various concerns will be forwarded to MTA legal and MTA consultants.

New Business:

Consultant James suggests that MSCA send reps to Title IX/EO session at the MTA summer conference.

Chenault reports that a department chair resigned to make room for faculty of color. This resulted in faculty of color being pressured to step in as acting chair. The need to protect faculty of color from this type of process was discussed.

Committee appointment:

It was moved a seconded to appoint Gretchen Skogerson as the MassArt representative to the Grievance Committee. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Secretary Pro Tem Robert Donohue